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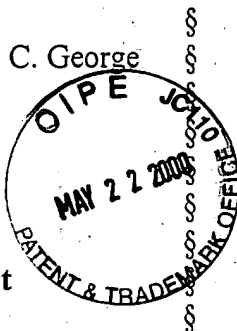
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The inventors of the invention described in the above captioned patent application are Michael John Bryant and Nick C. George. On February 1, 2000, the undersigned, Kenneth Beyers, mailed by first class mail, to inventor Bryant a copy of the enclosed patent application and drawings, Declaration with appointment of attorney, and Assignment documents for his execution and return to the undersigned for filing in the US Patent and Trademark Office. A copy of the transmittal letter to Bryant is enclosed as Exhibit A.

On February 18, 2000, inventor Bryant notified the undersigned by telephone that he refused to execute the Declaration or Assignment and that he would not cooperate with counsel in having the patent application filed. The undersigned then secured notarized signatures from inventor Nick C. George on the enclosed Declaration and appointment of attorney and Assignment documents, filed herewith.

This application is hereby made by inventor Nick C. George on behalf of himself and inventor Michael John Bryant.

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